

**APPLICATION TO CONDUCT A ONE DAY BASS TOURNAMENT ON MAINE INLAND WATERS**

**PENOBSCOT RIVER**  
**MILFORD DAM TO WELDON DAM ONLY**  
**(ZONES A THRU D)**

**CATCH MEASURE & RELEASE TOURNAMENT**

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**\$12.00**

**INDIVIDUAL**

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**(check 1)**

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**WEIGH-IN TOURNAMENT**

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**\$52.00**

**TEAM**

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**Name of Club or Organization**

**Name of individual making application** \_\_\_\_\_ **Tel:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**(Daytime)**

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**Address**

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**Name and address of alternative contact person** \_\_\_\_\_ **Daytime Tel:** \_\_\_\_\_

**The above named bass fishing club desires to hold a one-day tournament on:**

\_\_\_\_\_ **PENOBSCOT RIVER** \_\_\_\_\_ **in the town of** \_\_\_\_\_

**Zone:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Alternate zone (2<sup>nd</sup> choice)**

**Location of weigh-in station:** \_\_\_\_\_

**We desire to hold this tournament from** \_\_\_\_\_ **a.m. to** \_\_\_\_\_ **p.m. on** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

**If for any reason this permit is not granted, the permit fee will be returned.**

**Each day is considered as a separate tournament.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature and title of applicant**

**Definition of a bass club**

For purposes of determining eligibility to apply for a permit to conduct a one-day bass tournament, a "bass club" is defined as any organized group of five or more bass anglers which is able to satisfy one of the following criteria.

- Provide current documentation of being a member club in Bass Anglers Sportsman Society (BASS), North East Bass Association (NEBA) or other nationally recognized bass fishing organization; or
- Provide a current listing of club officers and members along with a signed affidavit affirming that the group, although not affiliated with any nationally recognized bass fishing organization, is a bona fide independent fishing club.

NOTE: (It is a Class E crime to obtain a permit through fraud, misstatement or misrepresentation -Title 12 MRSA Section 7373)

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## **PENOBSCOT RIVER BASS TOURNAMENT RULES FROM MILFORD DAM TO WELDON DAM**

### **CATCH/MEASURER/RELEASE (CMR) TOURNAMENTS\***

1. CMR tournaments are permitted during any time within the legal open water fishing season.
2. CMR tournaments are not subject to the zone restrictions established below for weigh-in tournaments.
3. All other existing state laws and rules pertaining to CMR tournaments still apply (e.g. maximum number of boats, maximum prize values, etc.)

### **WEIGH-IN TOURNAMENTS**

1. Establish 4 zones for the permitting of weigh-in bass tournaments in the river section between Milford Dam and Weldon Dam, as follows:

<u>ZONES</u>	<u>LAUNCH LOCATIONS</u>
A. Milford Dam to Olamon Stream	(Old Town, Milford, Costigan, Greenbush)
B. Olamon Stream to West Enfield Dam	(Passadumkeag)
C. West Enfield Dam to Chester Bridge	(West Enfield, Lincoln, Chester)
D. Chester Bridge to Weldon Dam	(Winn, Mattawamkeag)

Once a tournament zone (or weigh-in location within a zone) is chosen and a permit issued, fishing will be restricted to waters within that zone. All other waters of the Penobscot River and its tributaries, exclusive of the mainstem between Milford and Weldon Dams, would remain current State rules regarding bass tournaments.

2. No more than 3 weigh-in tournaments per zone per year.
3. Weigh-in tournaments prohibited between May 16 and June 30 and between October 1 and November 30 (Catch/Measure/Release tournaments only during these periods).
4. For weigh-ins scheduled from April 1 to May 15 or from July 1 to September 14:
  - a. Set maximum number of boats per tournament at 50.
  - b. Set bag limit at 3 fish/angler for individual participant weigh-ins and 5 fish per team/boat for team competing weigh-ins.
5. For weigh-ins scheduled from September 15 to September 30:
  - a. Set maximum number of boats per tournament at 20.
  - b. Set bag limits same as under 4. b. above.
6. All other existing State laws and rules pertaining to weigh-in tournaments which are not modified herein continue to apply to Penobscot River tournaments.

Return application to: Peter M. Bourque, Director-Fisheries & Hatcheries Division  
Department of Inland Fisheries & Wildlife  
284 State Street – State House Sta #41 Augusta, Maine 04333  
Tel: 207-287-5261 Fax: 207-287-6395

## AFFIDAVIT

State of Maine

\_\_\_\_\_, SS.  
(County)

I, \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_  
Name Town and State of Residence

am a \_\_\_\_\_ of a bass fishing club currently known as  
Name of Club

I hereby certify that the bass fishing club herein named, although not affiliated with any nationally recognized bass fishing organization, is a bona fide independent bass fishing club having a slate of officers, as follows:

President	_____
Vice President	_____
Secretary	_____
Treasurer	_____

I understand that the purpose of this affidavit is to certify eligibility for making application to conduct one day bass tournaments on Maine inland waters and that obtaining a permit through misstatement, misrepresentation or fraud is a criminal violation under Title 12, Section 7383.

I understand that the information I have provided in this affidavit may be checked for accuracy and that falsely completing this affidavit may result in court action against me.

I certify that all the information given in this affidavit is true and accurate.

_____	_____
Date	Signature

State of Maine

\_\_\_\_\_, SS.  
(County)

Personally appeared before me the above named affiant who signed above in my presence, giving oath that the information contained herein is true and accurate.

_____	_____
Date	Notary Public

**Note: If you do not belong to a nationally recognized bass fishing organization, please attach list of your members to affidavit.**